

REMARKS

Claims 1-14 are pending. By this Amendment, claims 1, 2, 4-12, and 14 are cancelled, and claims 3 and 13 are amended.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1, 2, 6, and 14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 4,563,886 to Kletzmaier et al. Although the rejection is traversed, these claims have been canceled.

Claims Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claim 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a). Although the rejections are traversed, the claims have been cancelled.

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Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 3 and 13 were objected to as being dependent on a rejection base claim. The limitations of claim 1 have now been incorporated into both claims 3 and 13 and these claims should be allowable. Also, in that claim 4 depends on claim 3, this claim also should now be allowable. It is further noted that no rejection was put forth with respect to claim 10. It is requested that the Examiner review this issue and telephone the undersigned.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if the Examiner believes it would be useful to advance prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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